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1. In order to alleviate the serious financial crisis in Kwangtung, the Chinese Communist authorities established in August numerous opium-smoking and gambling places in the following suburban districts of Canton: Wuyench'iao (五眼橋), P'ant'ang (平塘), Huangchutien (黃竹歧), Hsinchcu (新洲), Liung (嶺南), Shabo (沙壩), Shihp'ai (石牌), Samuanli (三仙里), and Sukang (蘇崗). All of the revenue resulting from the operation of these establishments, which amounts to JKP 50 million daily, is collected by the Kwangtung Military District Command. The money is used to pay the expenses of the Public Security Unit and the Military District Guard Corps.

- 25X1A 2. On [REDACTED] YEH Chien-ying, governor of Kwangtung, ordered the various hsien magistrates and city mayors in the province to lift the restriction on the planting of poppies. The new Communist regulation states that the tax for each 100 poppy plants is 250 catties of rice grain. If a citizen is found negligent in paying the tax or if he reports a false quantity, he must pay a double tax. Normally, September is the best season for planting of the poppies.

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